

Assessment Description and Purpose:

ACCESS: State mandated measures of English proficiency for ELL students, in reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Results used to monitor student progress in English language proficiency. ACCESS proficiency scores are also used to determine when ELL students are ready to exit from English language services. This test meets federal education requirements. Estimated time: K, 45 minutes; Gr 1–12, 30-60 minutes per modality. Preliminary ACCESS results are available to District staff in late May. Final student reports are sent home in early fall. In late August, summary results for the district and each school will be posted to the Minnesota Department of Education's Minnesota Report Card website https://rc.education.mn.gov/#mySchool/orgId--1054500000_groupType--district_p--3

ACT with Writing: Results used for college entrance and planning. Estimated time: 3 hours and 35 minutes.

ASVAB - The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. As an aptitude test, the ASVAB measures your strengths, weaknesses, and potential for future success.

Fastbridge: District-purchased tests in reading and math used for program selection and measurement of proficiency and growth.

- **earlyReading & earlyMath:** Individually administered group of subtests. The target composite scores are predictors of end-of year broad reading and math achievement in grades K and 1.
- **aReading & aMath:** Group-administered computer adaptive tests in reading and math, used in Grades K-6.
- **CBM-Reading:** individually administered measure of reading fluency, used in Grades K-6

MCA and MTAS: State mandated assessments in reading, math, and science that meet federal education requirements. Results measure student progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and help improve curriculum and instruction. Estimated time MCA: 1.5 – 3.5 hours per subject; estimated time MTAS: 30-90 minutes per subject. Preliminary MCA results are posted to the Parent Portal weekly. Final paper student reports are sent home in early fall. In late August, summary results for the district and each school will be posted to the Minnesota Department of Education's Minnesota Report Card website https://rc.education.mn.gov/#mySchool/orgId--1054500000_groupType--district_p--3

PSAT: National norm-referenced assessment in reading, math, English, and science. Estimated time: 2 hours and 45 minutes.